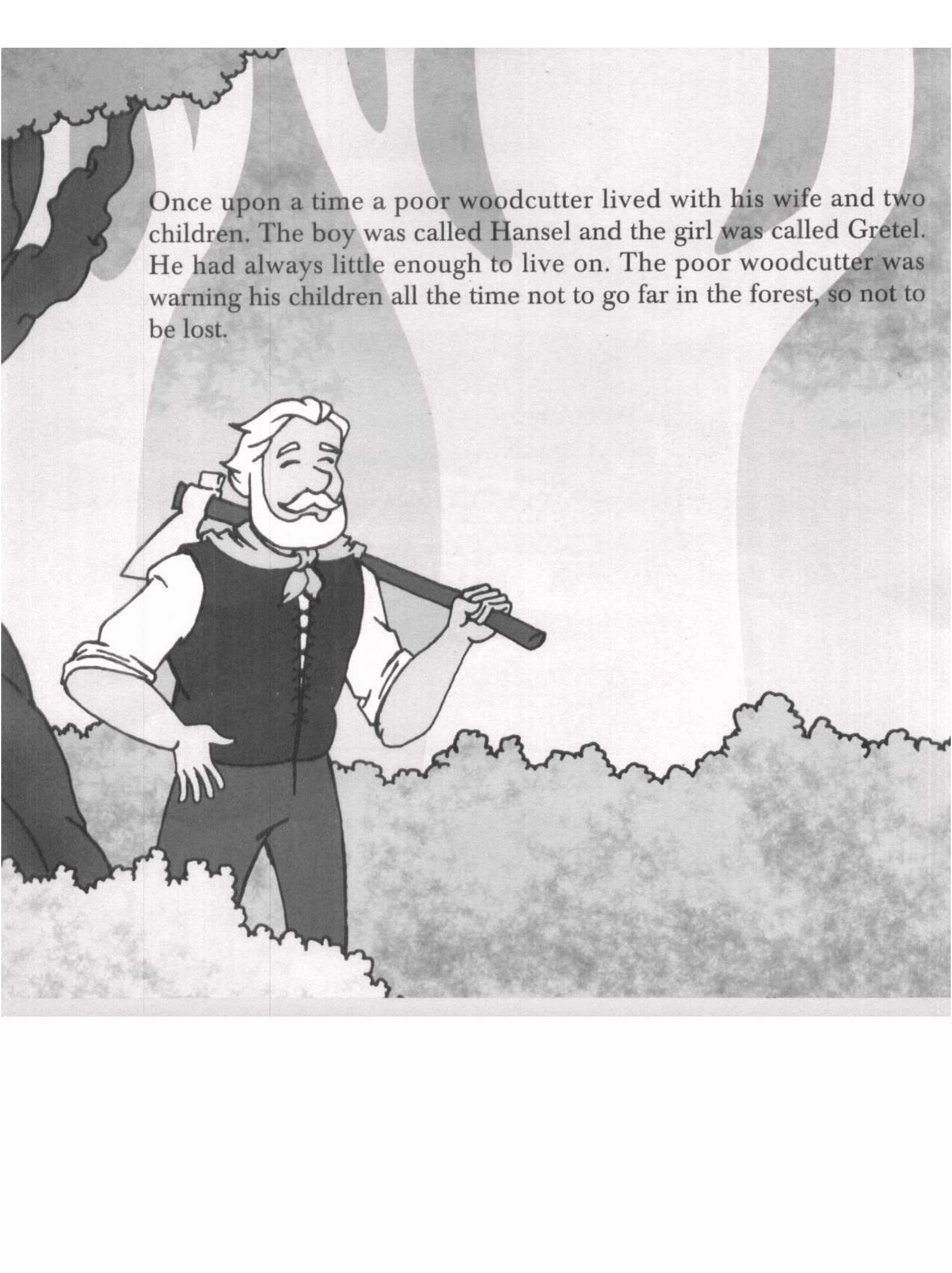
Classic Tales
Hansel & Gretel



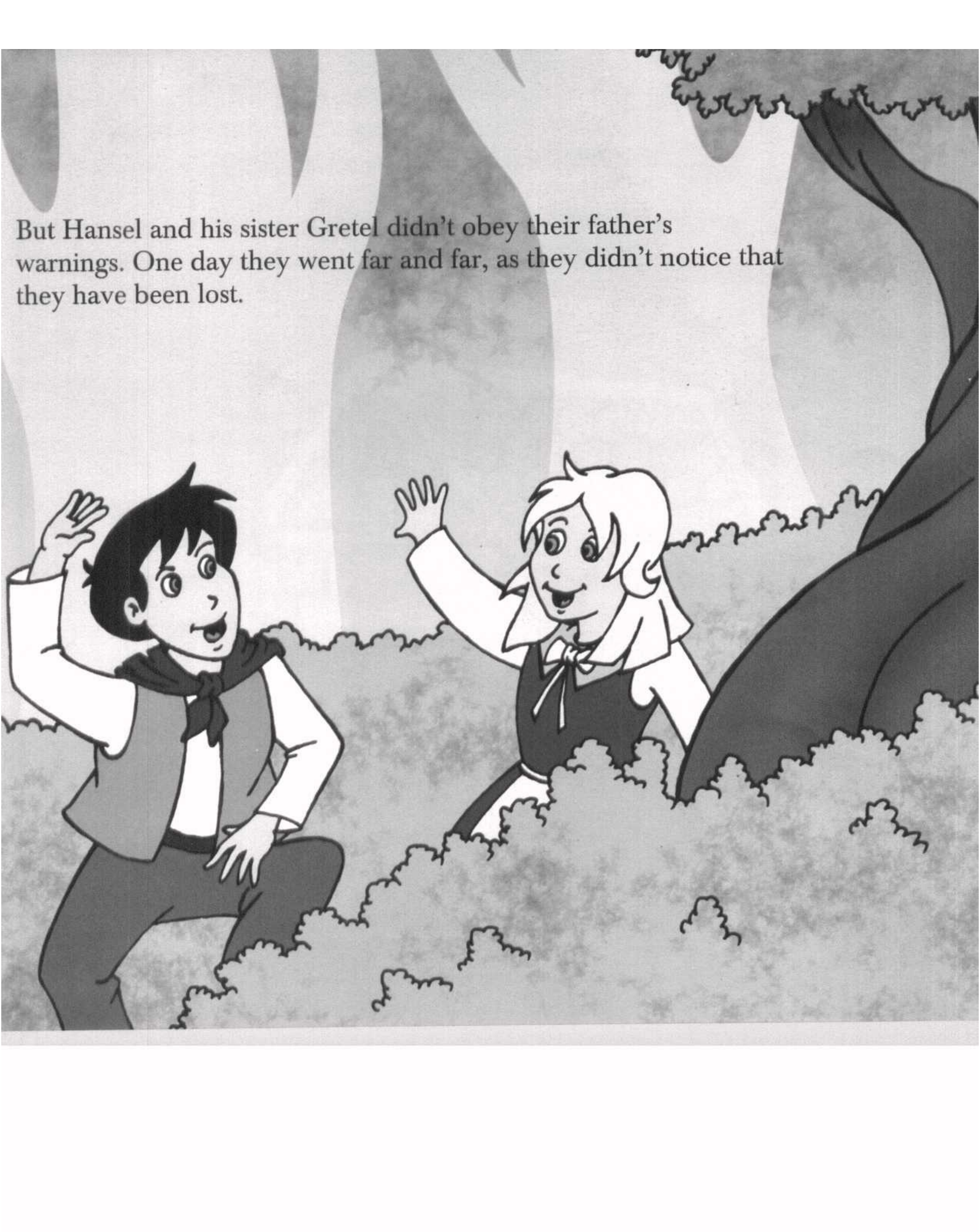
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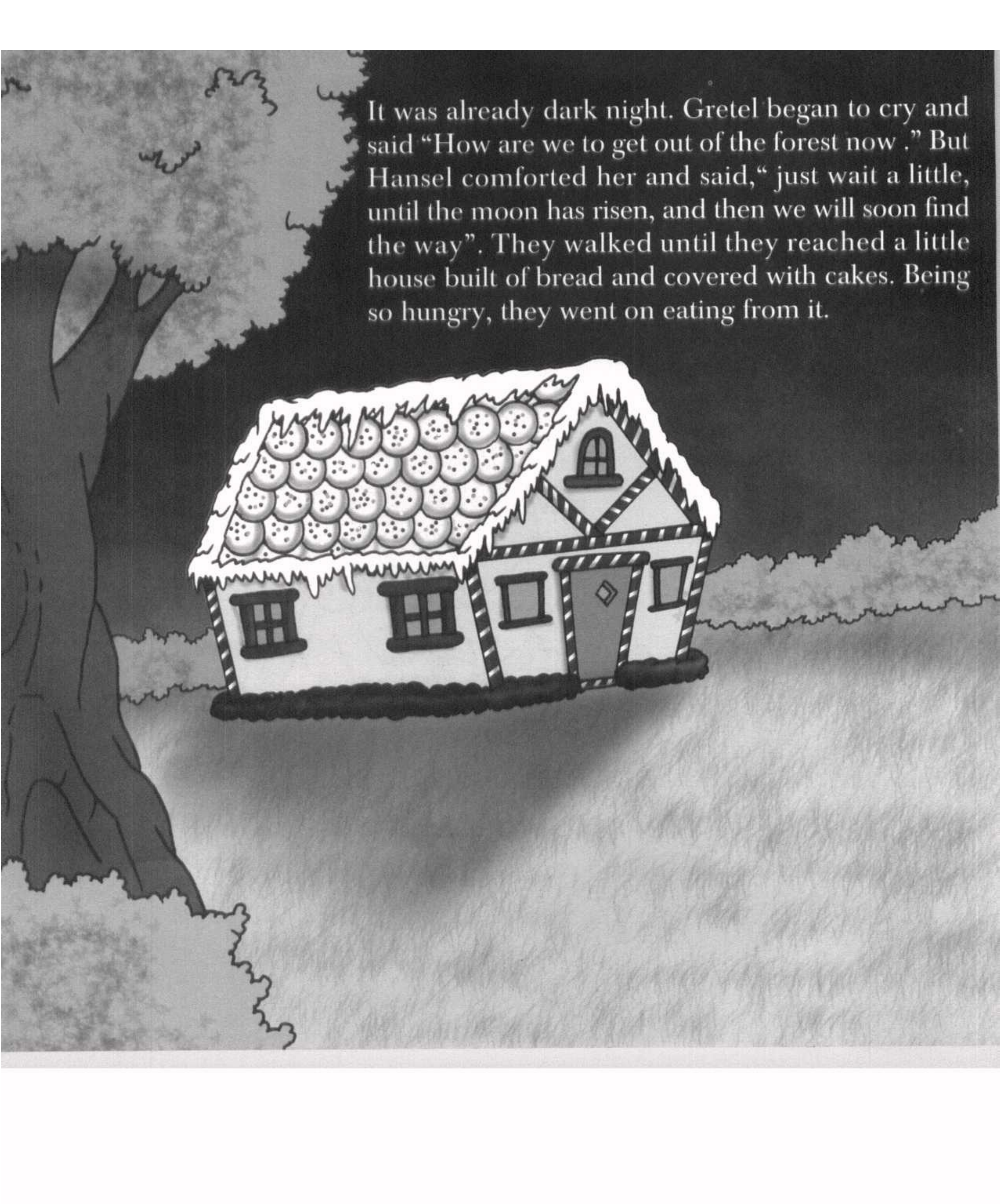
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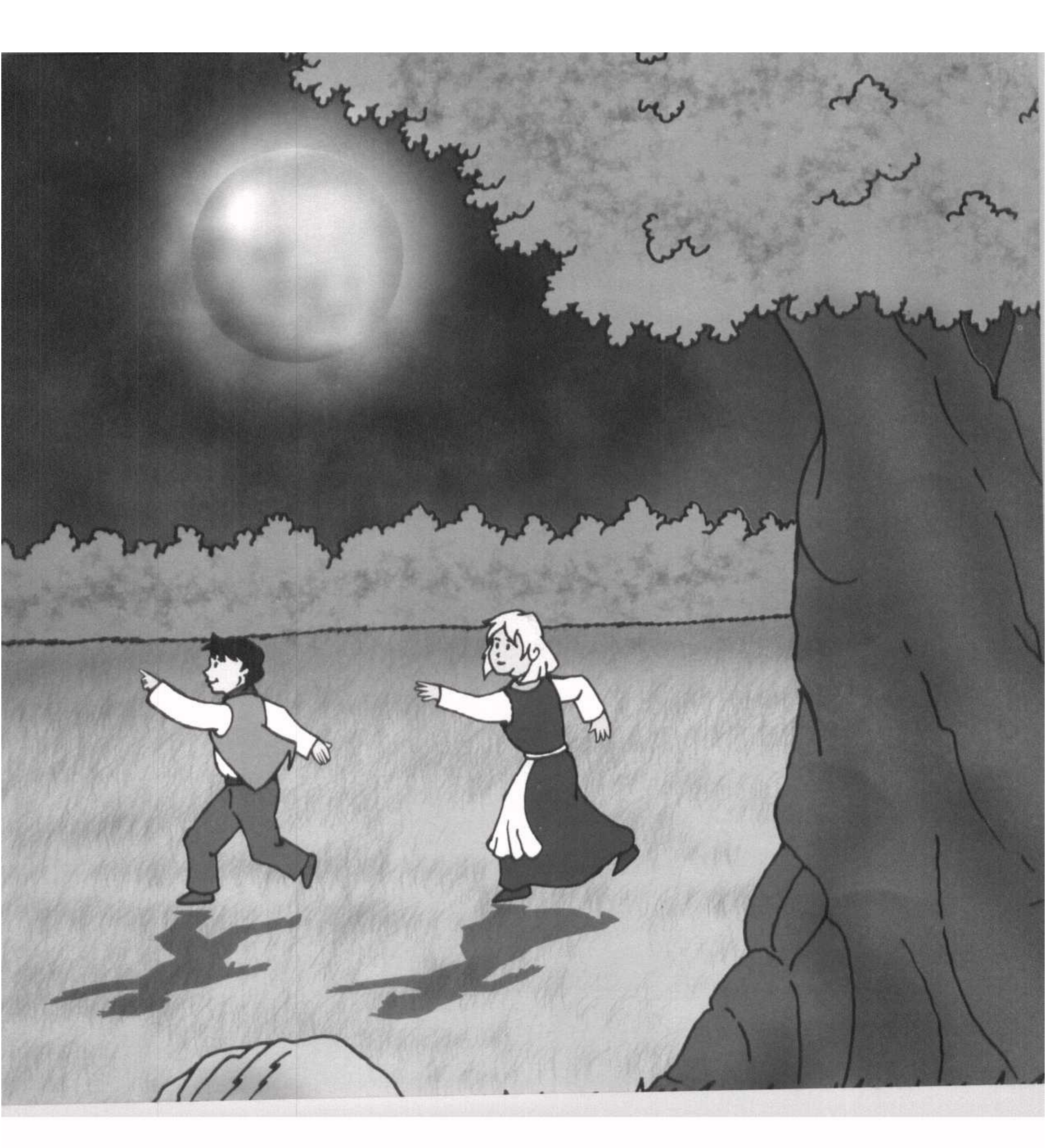
Once upon a time a poor woodcutter lived with his wife and two children. The boy was called Hansel and the girl was called Gretel. He had always little enough to live on. The poor woodcutter was warning his children all the time not to go far in the forest, so not to be lost.



But Hansel and his sister Gretel didn't obey their father's warnings. One day they went far and far, as they didn't notice that they have been lost.

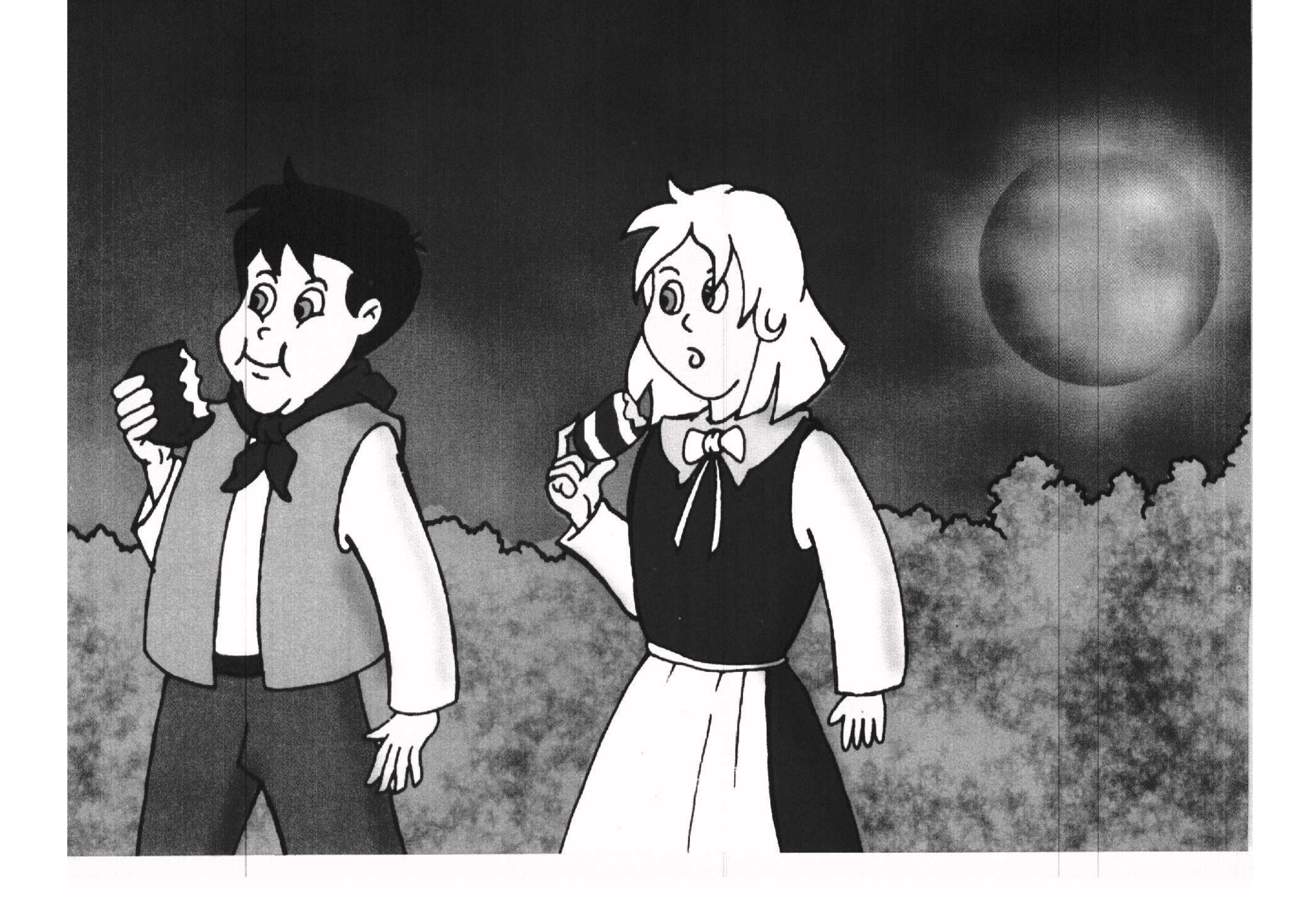


It was already dark night. Gretel began to cry and said "How are we to get out of the forest now ." But Hansel comforted her and said," just wait a little, until the moon has risen, and then we will soon find the way". They walked until they reached a little house built of bread and covered with cakes. Being so hungry, they went on eating from it.

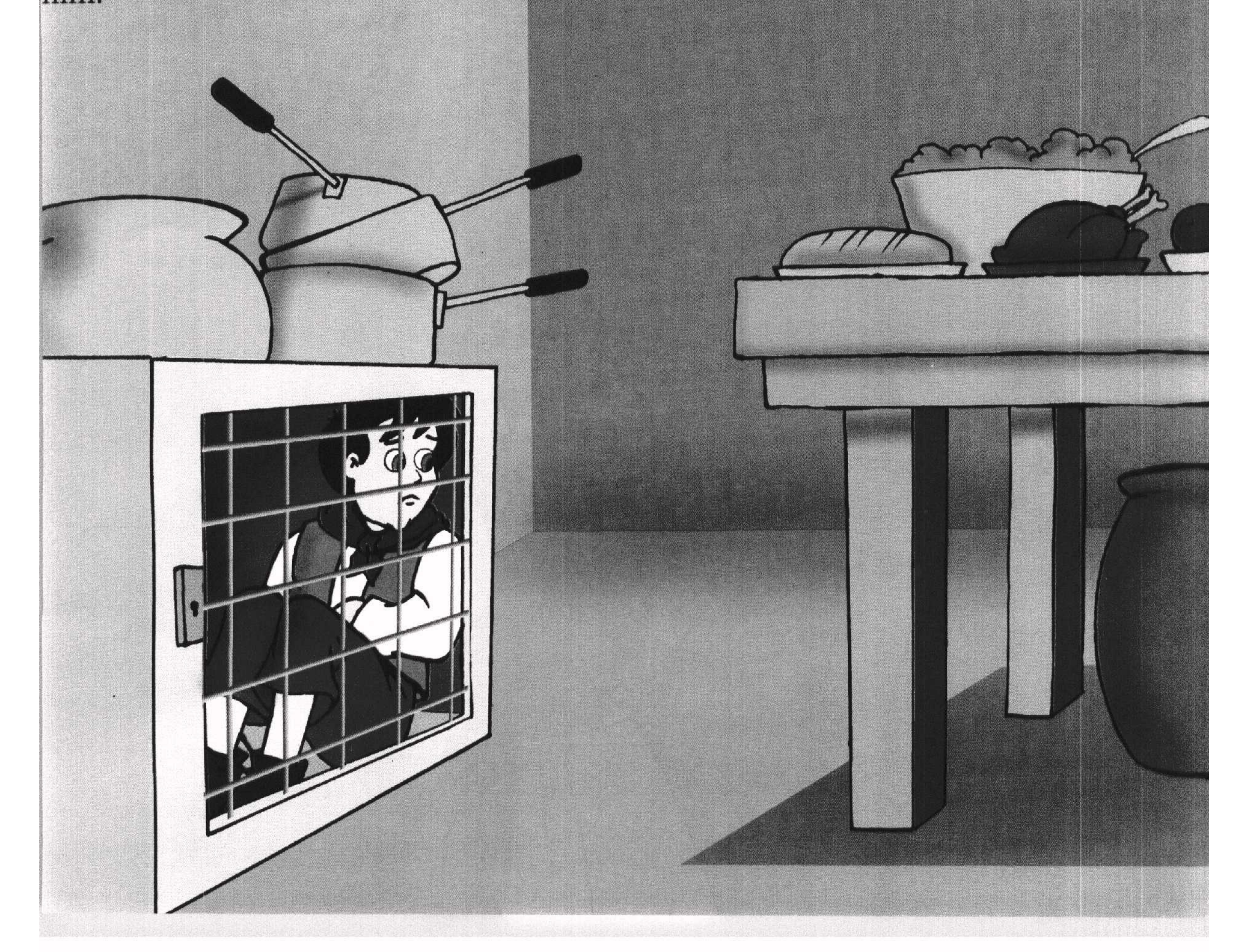


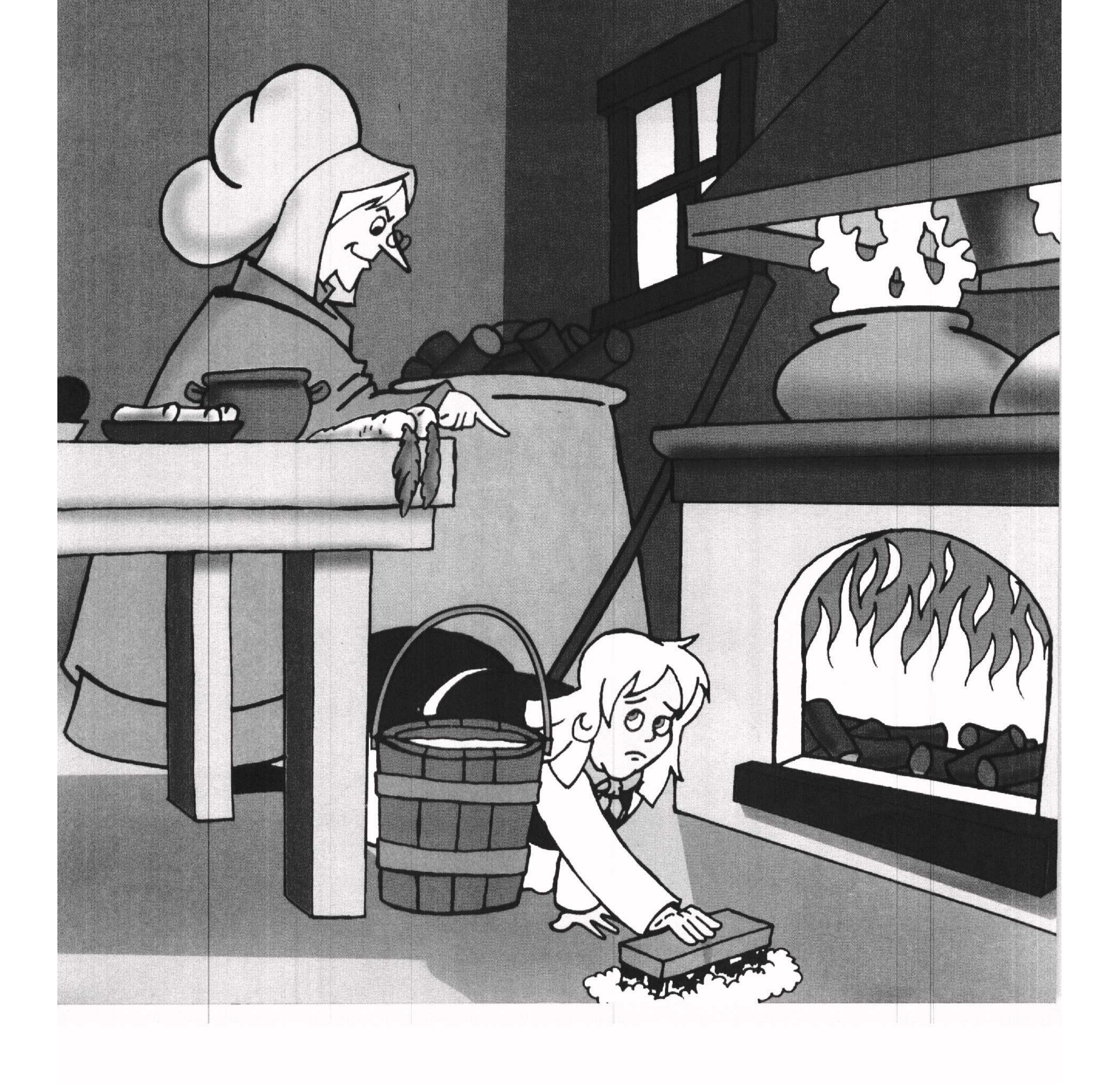


Suddenly the door opened, and an old woman came out. The old woman led them into her little house. The old woman had only pretended to be so kind. In fact, she was a wicked witch, who waits for children, and had only built the little house of sweets to trick children as when a child fell into her power; she killed, cooked and ate him.



When she saw both of them sleeping, she seized Hansel by the hand, carried him into a little stable, and locked him in. Then she went to Gretel, shook her till she awoke, and cried "Get up, lazy thing, fetch some water, and cook something good for your brother, he is in the stable, and is to be made fat. When he is fat, I will eat him."





Luckily! One day Gretel heard her father`s voice outside the wicked witch`s house, so she cried “Father! Father! .Hearing her cries, he came in with a policeman who arrested the wicked witch and saved Hansel and Gretel.



Hansel and Gretel ran, and threw themselves round their father's neck. The man had not known one happy hour since the children had left him. Then all anxiety was at an end, and they lived together in perfect happiness

